

TEMPORARY AREA TRAVEL CLOSURE

NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM TRAILS AND ROADS

OKANOGAN-WENATCHEE NATIONAL FOREST

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited on National Forest System (NFS) trails, Naches Ranger District of the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest, as described below and listed in Exhibit A and shown on the attached map Exhibit B from April 1, until June 15, every year, unless posted open. The purpose of this order is to prevent erosion, protect soils, vegetation and water quality.

1. Use by any type of traffic prohibited by order.

For the purpose of this order, it is prohibited to use any type of traffic on any National Forest System trail or route on the Naches Ranger District listed in Exhibit A [36 CFR 261.55 (c)]

Pursuant to Title 36 CFR 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this order:

1. Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
2. Any Federal, State or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

Done at Wenatchee, Washington, this 29th day of March, 2013.

/s/ Rebecca Lockett Heath
REBECCA LOCKETT HEATH
Forest Supervisor
Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest

Violations of these prohibitions are punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than 6 months or both. (16 USC 551 and 18 USC 3559 and 3571).

Assessment of Need and Enforcement Plan

1. **Background:** A closure order for National Forest System Motorized Trails to all traffic is necessary for resource protection and public safety during periods of heavy use, precipitation and run-off from snow melt. Any traffic is restricted to ensure resource protection and public safety as outlined in the Trail Closure Order. Major entry points accessing trails will be posted with a list of trails that are closed to all traffic use. This closure is based on reports, field interviews, county, state and federal law enforcement personnel, and public comments.
2. **Intent of Closure Order:** To provide for resource protection and public safety.
3. **Enforcement Plan:** The following activities need to occur to implement this special order in a manner that results in public acceptance and safety:

<u>Action</u>	<u>Responsible Official</u>	<u>Date</u>
Prepare proposed order	Michelle King, NEPA Planner	March 2013
District review of proposed order	Irene Davidson, Naches District Ranger	March 2013
LEO Review proposed order	Blair Bickel, LEO	March 2013
Approve proposed order	Rebecca Heath, Forest Supervisor	March 2013
Post order in accordance with 36 CFR 261.51	Jacqueline Beidl, Resource Assistant	March-April 2013
Prepare news release for local media describing the order and management objectives	District PIO, after review by Naches District Ranger	March 2013
Describe implementation/action taken for order, such as planned patrols, enforcement strategies, tolerance, contacts to local public agencies. Implement plan.	Post signs indicating the trail closure. Periodic patrols by Trails personnel to monitor closure and LEO to enforce prohibitions.	March-April 2013

Enforcement Plan approved for implementation:

/s/ Rebecca Lockett Heath
REBECCA LOCKETT HEATH
FOREST SUPERVISOR

March 29, 2013
DATE

Trail #	Trail Name	Trail Miles	Beginning Terminus	Ending Terminus
325	D BETHEL RIDGE	6.00	RD #1500-324	RD #1400
601	D HOG BACK	2.90	RD 1012550	RD 1012540
602	D SLEEPY LOOP	1.70	1203000	1202000
608	D LOUIE WAY	7.40	RD #1202	LOUIE GAP
609	D PICKLE PRAIRIE	3.60	RD #1202	RD #1201
610	D SHORTY	0.17	1202000	1202608
611	D NORTH PICKLE PRAIRIE	2.00	RD #1202	TR #609
613	D DIVIDE RIDGE	0.60	Rd 1020615	State/Prvt Bdy
613	D DIVIDE RIDGE	2.60	Rd 1020615	State/Prvt Bdy
613	D DIVIDE RIDGE	6.00	Rd 1020615	State Bdy
613	D DIVIDE RIDGE	8.20	Rd 1020615	State Bdy
613	D DIVIDE RIDGE	9.80	Rd 1020615	State Bdy
613	D DIVIDE RIDGE	12.10	Rd 1020615	State Bdy
615	D DIVIDE RIDGE WEST	8.00	RD #1020	RD #1070
617	D LILY POND	1.00	TR #676	RD #1708-590
619	D NARROW NECK GAP	2.90	RD #1070-578	TR #615
620	D RATTLESNAKE	2.90	RD #1500-625	RATTLESNAKE CR TR# 1114
621	D BLUE SLIDE	5.20	RD 1000, GREY CREEK C.G.	TR #615
622		0.14	Trail #621 Blue Slide	Dead End
636	D DONNIKER PASS	1.20	TR #621	TR #637
637	D SHORT AND DIRTY	5.70	RD #1020	RD #1010-531
638	D ROCKY SLIDE	1.30	TR #615	TR #640
639	D SPENCER CREEK	1.80	RD #1000	TR #637
640	D MEMORIAL MEADOWS	3.70	RD #1050-583, MINNIE MDW C.G.	TR #615
641	D LEANING TREE	3.70	RD #1206	TR #661
642	D BUTCHER KNIFE	3.80	TR #615	TR #640
644	D CJR'S HIDEOUT	3.20	1701530	694
651	D BUCKHORN GAP	2.70	RD #1206-546	TR #641
652	D BETHEL OAK	4.40	1401222	1401220
654	COPPER CITY	2.85	1808 Deep Creek Road	Miners Ridge
661	D HUMPHREY BUTTE	6.20	RD #1010-538	TR #637
663	D JUMPOFF BYPASS	0.70	1302000	Trail 1127
665	D SWEET HOME	1.70	TR #696	TR #697
670	D SUMMIT SPRINGS TIE	1.50	RD 1701	694
671	D BETHEL - LYNN LK. TIE	1.80	RD 1400235	325 (RD 1500325)
672	D BETHEL	1.20	1400652	1500325

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675	D CATTLE CAMP	2.00	RD 1702	RD 1701530
676	D KANER FLAT	7.40	RD #1903	TR #688
677	D SPRUCE CREEK TRAIL	1.77	RD 1010538	637 (RD 1010637)
680	D LITTLE RATTLESNAKE	3.50	RD #1501	RD #1500 BETHEL RIDGE
684	D NACHES PASS	7.20	RD 1900	Government Meadows
685	D WOODPECKER BY-PASS	0.70	1708000	1708686
686	D MILK CREEK	3.00	RD #1708	TR #694
694	D SUMMIT	5.40	307	Forest Bdy/ Barber Springs RD
695	D MID SUMMIT	2.20	RD 1701	694
696	D MUD SPRINGS 1613696	8.40	RD #1601	RD #1600 CLOVER SPRINGS
697	D CLOVER SPRINGS	3.40	RD #1605	TR #696
698		0.47	694	698A
699	D SECTION 3 OVERLOOK	2.00	1204000	Sec 4
1111	RUSSELL RIDGE	9.00	RD #1306-370	RD #1382
1126	LOUIE	3.40	RD #1201	LOUIE GAP
1127	DIVIDE RIDGE	0.67	LOUIE GAP	JUMPOFF
1127	DIVIDE RIDGE	2.30	LOUIE GAP	JUMPOFF
1134	TEN DAY TRAIL	1.20	Conrad Meadows TR #1120	Cirque Lake
1145	LONG LAKE	1.90	LONG LAKE	LOST LAKE
608 A	LONG LAKE TIE	0.40	608	608
609 A	D PICKLE PRAIRE LOOP	2.20	609	609
640 A	D MEM. MDW-BLUE SLIDE TIE	1.50	640	621
642 A		1.55	642	640 in section 5.
651 A	D BUCKHORN GAP LOOP	0.90	651	651
677 A	D SPRUCE TIE	0.28	677	RD 1010
694 A	D SUMMIT A	1.20	694	695
698 A		0.26	694	694
941	PYRAMID PEAK	14.48	RD 1900	PYRAMID PEAK
943	BEAR CREEK	7.00	RD #1911	TR #1388 MANASTASH RIDGE
943 A	CUB CREEK	2.50	TR #943	TR #1388 MANASTASH RIDGE
945	MIDDLE FORK	10.00	RD 1913	RD 1902
946	SOUTH FORK	5.60	RD #1902	RD #1906
947	MOUNT CLIFTY	5.60	RD #1905	MANASTASH RIDGE
948	QUARTZ MOUNTAIN	7.50	RD 1904-740	TR 1388
949	QUARTZ CREEK	7.00	RD 1903	TR 688
950	OLD KANER	0.50	676	308
952	WEST QUARTZ CR LOOP	13.20	RD #1902	LOOP TRAIL
955	INDIAN FLAT	1.50	SR 410 INDIAN FLAT	TRAIL 952
961	LITTLE BALD	11.00	RD 1704	SADDLE CAMP RD 1600-231

963	SAND CREEK	10.50	SAND CREEK	CROW CREEK C.G.
963 A	SAND CREEK CUTOFF	1.30	SAND CREEK C.G.	TR #963
963 B	YELLOW JACKET	3.82	SAND CREEK C.G.	RD 1906
964	LOST CREEK	3.50	RD 1704-311	RD 1706
965	MILK CREEK	3.50	RD 1707	TR 686 (RD 1708)
966	GOLD CREEK	2.90	RD 1703	TR 694

EXHIBIT B

Naches Ranger District Trail Miles

May 1, 2012

